

Faculty News

Arts & Sciences

Professor Emeritus of Biology Edward Brandt

represented Shenandoah University at the 21st Human Anatomy



and Physiology Society (HAPS) Conference held in San Diego, Calif. His two presentations

were based upon procedures and experiments he developed in the physiology lab at Shenandoah University.

Associate Professor of Arts Management Constance DeVereaux

is now on the editorial board of the journal *Arts Management, Law & Society*. She also authored a chapter titled "Policy, Language, and Power: Practical Methods for Cultural Advocates" for a forthcoming book, "Cultural Management Reader," published by Institut für Kulturkonzepte to be available in winter 2008.

At the annual meeting of the Association of Arts Administration Educators in Chicago, DeVereaux presented on two panels: "Turnover at the Top on Leadership in the Field of Arts Management" and "Cultural Management and the State of the Field."

Professor of Reading Education Peter Edwards

had a lead article, "Asian ESL Students & Literacy Development," published in the summer 2007 edition of a major national journal, *MultiCultural Review*. The editor of the journal commented on the article, saying "...the lack of attention to English-language acquisition by Asian immigrant students has led to lower participation in classroom discussions, lower verbal scores on standardized

tests, restricted opportunities for higher education and occupational segregation. It is important for teachers, therefore, to pursue instructional strategies that allow Asian immigrant students to attain their full potential in school and beyond." Dr. Edwards is the director of the Literacy Center at Shenandoah University.

Assistant Professor of History Julie A. Hofmann

presented a paper, "Fulda's Female Friends: Women, Kinship, and Property," and she participated in a roundtable discussion called "Weblogs and the Academy: Pedagogy, Professionalism and Technical Practices" at the 42nd International Medieval Congress at Kalamazoo, Mich. She spent three weeks over the summer in the British Library turning the paper into an article.

Professor of History Warren Hofstra, the Stewart Bell Chair in History, gave a series of lectures in Germany over the summer. His presentations on Virginia and its history were in conjunction with the 400th anniversary of the colony and the Commonwealth sponsored by the Atlantic Institute, the University of Mainz and the U.S. Consulate General.

Professor of English John Jacobs

was an invited participant in "Willa Cather: A Writer's Worlds: The 11th International Seminar," a week-long seminar in Paris and Provence, France. He presented a paper on Willa Cather and Edward Hopper as kindred Modernists, and he chaired a paper session on "One of Ours" and "The Professor's House," Cather's World War I novels.

Assistant Professor of Art History Geraldine Kiefer

received funds for excellence for the Taller Portobelo Norte Summer Art Colony and Arteria Exhibition in Portobelo, Panama, in June. She also received her third consecutive Marion Park Lewis Foundation tuition grant for participation in the Nimrod Hall Summer Arts Program in Bath County, Va. Her juried and invitational exhibitions included the VMRC Juried Multimedia Art Exhibition at the Park Gables Gallery in Harrisonburg, Va.; the Divine Inspiration: Meaning and Morals in the Modern World exhibit at the Gallery RFD, in Swainsboro, Ga.; the Blue Ridge Arts Council Annual Member Show in Front Royal, Va.; the Nimrod Venerable Tree Series at ArtSpace Gallery in Richmond, Va.; the Interstices in Nature show at the Skylight Gallery in Richmond; the Interior Spaces II show at the Nelson Fine Arts Gallery in Lexington, Va.; and the Renegade Drawing Show at Berry College in Mt. Berry, Ga. In May, Kiefer served as a grant review panelist for the Arts Council of the Valley in Harrisonburg.

Assistant Professor of Kinesiology Brian J. Wigley



presented a paper titled "Baseball Coverage in Multiple Media Contexts: Before and After 1946 and the Work of Wendell Smith" at the 18th annual Cooperstown Symposium on Baseball and American Culture. The June 2007 conference at the Baseball Hall of Fame included scholars from fields such as history, literature, film studies, communications,

kinesiology and geography, and the focus was baseball as a cultural phenomena. Later in the summer, Wigley and colleagues Michael Sagas and Greg Bennett of Texas A&M lectured to students from six countries as part of a three-year Department of State Grant titled "Fusion Arts Exchange Program." Thirty students – five from six countries – visited the United States from June 17 through July 14. Wigley lectured on "American History through the Lens of Sport" and "The American Sport Brand."

Business

Professor of Information Systems and Computer Technology Robert Bonometti

presented a paper, "Professional Quality Video Production Capabilities Enter the Mainstream: A Case Study of a Business School Informational and Promotional Video Production Project" (co-authored with dean of the Harry F. Byrd, Jr. School of Business Randy Boxx), at the 2007 Academic Business World International Conference in May.

In June, Dr. Bonometti was elected president of the SPCA of Winchester, Frederick and Clarke counties and spent time over the summer developing and implementing a strategic agenda for the organization, including a capital improvements campaign in honor of the SPCA's 100th anniversary.

Professor of Management Randy Boxx, dean of the Harry F. Byrd, Jr. School of Business; **Associate Professor of Management Miles Davis** and **Professor of Management and Health-Care Administration John Proe** had a co-authored paper